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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: FRONT-LINE SUMMIT MEETING

1. INFORMAL SECURITY COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS HELD
AUGUST 31 WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL IN CHOOSING DATE FOR
FORMAL COUNCIL MEETING ON NAMIBIA AND SECURITY COUNCIL
IS TO MEET AGAIN INFORMALLY SEPTEMBER 1 FOR THAT PURPOSE.
IN TODAY'S MEETING THE FIVE WERE ALONE IN PUSHING FOR
FORMAL COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF NAMIBIA ON MONDAY,
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SEPTEMBER 4, WITH THE AFRICANS GENERALLY DISORGANIZED.
AT THE BEGINNING MAURITIAN PERM REP RAMPHUL, WHO ACTED
AS UNOFFICIAL SPOKESMAN, FAVORED FORMAL MEETING ON
SEPTEMBER 6 BUT WAVERED DURING DISCUSSION AND BY THE END
APPEARED TO SUPPORT FORMAL CONSULTATIONS BEGINNING
SEPTEMBER 6 WITH FORMAL SESSION TO FOLLOW AT SOME FUTURE
DATE. NIGERIAN PERM REP HARRIMAN WAS ABSENT AND HIS

INEXPERIENCED NO. 2 DID NOT PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN DISCUSSION, BUT FINALLY CAME DOWN IN FAVOR OF FORMAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 6.

2. IN VIEW OF EVIDENT LACK OF CONSISTENT INSTRUCTIONS AMONG AFRICANS, WE BELIEVE THAT FRONT-LINE SUMMIT SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 1-2 IN LUSAKA OFFERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESS AFRICANS FURTHER ON NEED FOR PROMPT

SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION. THEREFORE CHARGE SHOULD URGENTLY APPROACH MARK CHONA, BRING HIM UP TO DATE ON SECURITY COUNCIL ACTIVITY, AND URGE THAT KAUNDA MAKE HIS BEST EFFORT AT SUMMIT MEETING TO GET DECISION AND FIRM INSTRUCTIONS TO NEW YORK MISSIONS FROM FRONT-LINE PRESIDENTS FAVORING EARLY SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING AND RAPID APPROVAL OF SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM'S REPORT.
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